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## BLM Names New Associate State Director

ANCHORAGE – Bureau of Land Management State Director Henri Bisson today announced the appointment of Julia Dougan as Associate State Director for BLM Alaska.

Dougan is currently district manager for the BLM's Eugene (OR) District Office, where she is responsible for oversight of 300,000 acres of public lands and a staff of 200 employees. With a population of approximately 250,000 people, the Eugene District is situated within the second largest metropolitan area of Oregon. There Dougan worked to promote strong links between the people of the region and the public lands BLM manages.

"Julia is a terrific manager," said BLM State Director Henri Bisson. "Her diverse background and her ability to forge positive partnerships with people are a great fit for Alaska. She motivates people to work together toward common objectives."

Prior to her Oregon appointment, Dougan worked at the BLM's Washington Office where she was acting group manager for implementing the National Landscape Conservation System. Her BLM career spans 25 years and includes line management positions in Colorado, California and Oregon. At BLM Colorado, she processed numerous oil and gas drilling approvals, negotiated land exchanges, and issued decisions on a wide spectrum of realty actions.

In her new position as Alaska Associate State Director, Dougan will assume responsibility for much of the day-to-day operations for 86 million acres of BLM-administered Alaska public lands and will oversee a staff of 800 employees statewide. Dougan will assume the new position in early February 2005.

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